1 The Honorable Ronald B. Leighton 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 9 AT TACOMA 10 AURA ROSSI, NO. CV 07-5411-RBL Plaintiff. 11 v. ORDER DETERMINING THAT THE 12 CITY OF LAKEWOOD, a municipal AUTOMATIC STAY PROVISIONS OF corporation of the State of Washington; THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY 13 LAKEWOOD FIRE DEPARTMENT, aka CODE DO NOT APPLY TO PLAINTIFF LAKEWOOD FIRE DISTRICT 2, PAUL ROSSI'S CLAIMS IN THIS MATTER 14 WEBB, Chief, Lakewood Fire Department, JOHN DOE 1; JOHN DOE 2, 15 Defendants. 16 LAKEWOOD FIRE DEPARTMENT, aka 17 LAKEWOOD FIRE DISTRICT 2, PAUL WEBB, Chief, Lakewood Fire Department, 18 Third-Party Plaintiffs, 19 v. 20 CITY OF LAKEWOOD, A municipal corporation of the State of Washington, 21 Third-Party Defendant 22 23 This matter comes before the Court as a result of the Court's Minute Order (Dkt. #174) 24 that the Lakewood Fire Department Defendants file a Response to Ms. Ross's status report 25 addressing whether this litigation is automatically stayed as a result of Ms. Rossi's Chapter 13 26 bankruptcy. ORDER - AUTOMATIC STAY PROVISIONS OF THE U.S. BANKRUPTCY CODE DO NOT APPLY TO PLAINTIFF'S CLAIMS

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The Court having considered the Lakewood Fire Departments' Response, the pleadings in support thereof, and the remaining court file; and the Court being fully advised, the Court finds that the automatic stay provision of the Bankruptcy Code does not apply to the instant litigation.

Plaintiff's counsel will obtain, and provide for the review of this Court, an appropriate Order of the Bankruptcy Court acknowledging the existence of this action as an asset of the estate and appointing counsel to represent Ms. Rossi in this matter. Said Order should be presented to this Court on or before November 14, 2008.

NOW THEREFORE, it is hereby ORDERED that the case may proceed and the Court will consider the pending Motion for Reconsideration, and Motions for Costs on Friday, October 31, 2008 at 2:30 p.m.

Dated this 27<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2008.

RONALD B. LEIGHTON
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE